Plague

BY THE KING.

A Proclamation for the avoyding of all intercourſe betweene His Maieſties Royall Court, and the Cities of *London* and *Weſtminſter*, and places adioyning.

HIS Maieſty hauing taken a reſolution that Himſelfe and His Royall Conſort the Queene and their Courts ſhall very ſhortly remoue firſt to His Caſtle of *Windſor*, and after to his Honour of *Hampton-Court*, and there to ſettle: and foreſeeing that the vicinity of thoſe places to the Cities of London and Weſtminſter, and the Suburbs thereof, and the Borough of *Southwarke* & Towne of *Lambeth*, which long haue been, and yet are ſo grievouſly infected with the Plague, is apt to draw an intercourſe betweene thoſe Cities and places & the Court, which may bring extreame perill to the ſacred Perſons of their Royall Maieſties, vnleſſe it be very carefully avoyded. For the preventing therfore of ſo great & ſo apparant a danger, wherin all his Maieſties good and louing Subiects haue ſo large an intereſt. His Maieſty doth ſtraitly charge and command, That no perſon or perſons of what degree or quality ſoeuer doe preſume to goe or repaire directly or indirectly from the ſaid Cities of London or Weſtminſter, or either of them, or the ſuburbs of them, or either of them, or the Borrough of *Southwarke* or Towne of *Lambeth* vnto the Court, or to goe from the Court vnto the ſaid cities of London or Weſtminſter, or the Suburbs of them, or the ſaid Borrough of *Southwarke*, or Towne of *Lambeth*, or either, or any of them, and returne backe to the Court againe vpon paine of his Maieſties heavy diſpleaſure, and of ſuch further puniſhment as can by Law or by his Maieſties prerogatiue Royall be inflicted vpon them for ſo high a contempt. And if any Servant to his Maieſty, or to the Queene his Royall conſort in any office or place whatſoeuer, ſhall offend herein, and either in their owne perſon haue recourſe to and fro, or wittingly ſuffer any other to haue recourſe or acceſſe vnto them from thoſe cities or ſuburbs thereof, or places aforeſaid, His Maieſty doth hereby ſignifie and publiſh his determinate purpoſe and reſolution, That euery ſuch offender ſhall not onely *ipſo facto* forfeit and looſe the Office or place he holdeth, without any hope or expectation of favour now or at any time hereafter, but ſhall alſo incurre the heavieſt and ſevereſt puniſhment which can be inflicted vpon them. And his Maieſty doth ſtraitly charge and command all his louing Subiects to be carefull in the due execution of his Royall will and pleaſure herein, not onely in their owne perſons, but in all others as much as in them lieth, and this to be ſtrictly obſerved and continued vntill his Maieſty ſhall ſee cauſe to inlarge this reſtraint againe, *Giuen at our Court at* Salisbury *the ſeuenteenth day of October, in the firſt yeare of our raigne of* Great Brittaine, France, *and* Ireland.

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God ſaue the King.

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